SUPREME COURT OF WISCONSIN

Case No.: 98-1737

Complete Title of Case:

Douglas-Hanson Company, Inc.,

Plaintiff-Respondent,

v.

BF Goodrich Company,

Defendant-Appellant-Petitioner.

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JUDGE: Scott R. Needham

JUSTICES:

Concurred: Dissented:

Not Participating: WILCOX, J.

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REVIEW of a decision of the Court of Appeals. Affirmed.

- ¶1 PER CURIAM. The court is equally divided on the question of whether the published decision of the court of appeals, <u>Douglas-Hanson Co., Inc. v. BF Goodrich Co.</u>, No. 98-1737 (June 29, 1999), should be affirmed or reversed. Chief Justice SHIRLEY S. ABRAHAMSON, Justice ANN WALSH BRADLEY, and Justice DAVID T. PROSSER would affirm; Justice WILLIAM A. BABLITCH, Justice N. PATRICK CROOKS, and Justice DIANE S. SYKES would reverse. Justice JON P. WILCOX did not participate.
- ¶2 Accordingly, the decision of the court of appeals is affirmed.